

Rebenque, Bonibelle

From: Evert, Jason
Sent: May 14, 2018 07:15 PM
To: Smith, Jean-Pierre
Subject: Fw: UPDATE Emerson Event Notification 'Irregular Arrivals' S1011563-PRA01MISE À JOUR Emerson Notification d'événement 'Arrivées irrégulières'

Getting SRT's now.

Thk

Jason

From: ROC-COR Prairies, Regional Operations Centre-Centre d'operations regionales <RegionalOperationsCentre-Centred'operationsregionales.ROC-CORPrairies@cbsa-asfc.gc.ca>
Sent: Monday, May 14, 2018 19:15
To: SRT_Prairies; PRA-PRA_RDG-DRG_ExcManager; CBSA.O RPO Users / Utilisateurs APR O.ASFC
Subject: FW: UPDATE Emerson Event Notification 'Irregular Arrivals' S1011563-PRA01MISE À JOUR Emerson Notification d'événement 'Arrivées irrégulières'

From: SingleReportingTool
Sent: May-14-18 07:15:34 PM (UTC-06:00) Central Time (US & Canada)
To: Sankar, Jason; Gillies, Bradley; Irregular Migration Fusion Centre / Centre de fusion de migration irrégulière (CBSA/ASFC); ROC-COR Prairies, Regional Operations Centre-Centre d'operations regionales; CBSA-ASFC_Border Operations Centre-Centre des Opérations Frontalières
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A significant event affecting **Emerson, PRA** has been submitted by **Bradley Gillies. 204-373-2841.**

Incident Reporting Criteria related to the event:

- **CBSA Image** : 'Irregular Arrivals'

Brief Event Description: **3 x Irregular Arrivals**

Details/Updates:

****JRS003 14/05/2018 20:15****

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Brève description de l'événement: **3 x Irregular Arrivals**

Détails / Mises à jour:

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From: Evert, Jason
Sent: May 14, 2018 08:01 AM
To: Smith, Jean-Pierre
Subject: FW: NEW Emerson Event Notification 'Irregular Arrivals' S1011563-PRA01NOUVEAU Emerson Notification d'événement 'Arrivées irrégulières'

JP,

I did not receive any SRT's over the weekend. I know I was removed from the SMD mgmt. list (I have been added back) but I am still listed in the expanded Managers group.

Thks

Jason

From: Desjarlais, Chuck
Sent: May 14, 2018 8:56 AM
To: Evert, Jason <Jason.Evert@cbsa-asfc.gc.ca>; Ethier, Chantal <Chantal.Ethier@cbsa-asfc.gc.ca>
Subject: FW: NEW Emerson Event Notification 'Irregular Arrivals' S1011563-PRA01NOUVEAU Emerson Notification d'événement 'Arrivées irrégulières'

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From: Evert, Jason
Sent: May 10, 2018 06:19 PM
To: White, Lisa; Bremault, Yvonne
Subject: RE: Daily Media Calls Wrap-up - Asylum Seekers - May 7, 2018

I would like to receive this.

Thks

Jason

From: White, Lisa
Sent: May 10, 2018 4:43 PM
To: Bremault, Yvonne <Yvonne.Bremault@cbsa-asfc.gc.ca>; Evert, Jason <Jason.Evert@cbsa-asfc.gc.ca>
Subject: FW: Daily Media Calls Wrap-up - Asylum Seekers - May 7, 2018

This is what I receive. Let me know if you would find this useful.

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Sent: May 8, 2018 11:57 AM
To: Reimer, Luke <Luke.Reimer@cbsa-asfc.gc.ca>; Callin, Jacqueline <Jacqueline.Callin@cbsa-asfc.gc.ca>; Gaetz, Elise <Elise.Gaetz@cbsa-asfc.gc.ca>; White, Lisa <Lisa.White@cbsa-asfc.gc.ca>
Subject: FW: Daily Media Calls Wrap-up - Asylum Seekers - May 7, 2018

From: Van Criegingen, Jane (PS/SP)On Behalf Of Communications Issues Management / Communications Gestion des Enjeux (PS/SP)
Sent: May-08-18 12:56:23 PM (UTC-06:00) Central Time (US & Canada)
To: Archipow, Nancy; Bittar Cybanski, Michele; CBSA-ASFC-Media Relations; Genest, Hubert; Hutchinson, Scott; Bott, Jeremy; Medalla, Rocio; PAC, CBSA-Communications; PRA-CBSA-Region, Communications; CBSA-ASFC_NOR-RNO_Communications; CBSA-ASFC_Southern Ontario Region News; CBSA-ASFC_GTAR_Communications; QUE_Media_ASFC; ATL-Communications / Communications-ATL (CBSA/ASFC); QUE_Media_ASFC@asfc.gc.ca; ADMPA_SJSCLPA-SMAAP_EMISLCAP@forces.gc.ca; richard.perreault@forces.gc.ca; jay.janzen@forces.gc.ca; Lyne.Poirier@forces.gc.ca; veronique.duhamel@forces.gc.ca; Lebouthillier, Daniel; ND / DN; nicola.lamarre@forces.gc.ca; ADAM.THOMSON2@forces.gc.ca; Julie.Brouillette@forces.gc.ca; Ospina, Laura; DFATD / MAECD; Sutton, Brendan; DFAIT / MAECI; Babcock, John; DFATD / MAECD; Belmahdi, Latifa; DFATD / MAECD; De Maina, Noëlla; DFAIT / MAECI; Jennifer.duney@international.gc.ca; Lefebvre, Jennifer (HC/SC); Filippis2, Lisa (HC/SC); Maureen.McGrath@cic.gc.ca;

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For awareness, please find below a wrap-up of media calls received by federal partners regarding asylum seekers.

IRCC

Journalist	Radio-Canada - Montréal - Montréal
Lead	Nancy Caron
Issue	C - Border Crossers/STCA
Question	Business line: Refugees/ Asylum Date and Time received / Date et Heure: May 7, 2018 10:35 AM Deadline / Échéance: ASAP Main Issue / Sujet –permis de travail Question 1: Suite aux réponses que vous nous avez acheminées concernant les demandeurs d'asile qui ont fait une demande de permis de travail depuis 2017, nous avons une question très précise. Quelles sont les principales raisons de refus des demandes de permis de travail ? Voici les chiffres que vous nous aviez acheminés: entre le 1er mai 2017 et le 22 avril 2018: · 16 557 demandes de permis de travail ont été approuvés · 939 demandes ont été refusées o 438 de demandeurs irréguliers o 501 de demandeurs réguliers o les demandes restantes sont en cours de traitement. Question 2 : J'aimerais bien valider certaines données avec vous Vos collègues nous ont acheminé les données suivantes: Entre le 1er mai 2017 et le 22 avril 2018, il y a eu: 18 109 demandes de permis de travail des demandeurs d'asile qui ont présenté une demande au Québec, 13 602 qui sont entrés au Canada de façon irrégulière (demande au Québec) 4 507 qui sont entrés de façon régulière (demande au Québec) NOus avons voulu connaitre la proportion des demandeurs d'asile (entrés par le Québec) qui ont fait une demande de permis de travail entre mai 2017 et 2018..en trouvant le nombre total de demandes d'asile au Québec entre mai 2017 jusqu'au 31 2018 en consultant les données suivantes: 2017 https://www.canada.ca/fr/immigration-refugies-citoyennete/services/refugies/demandes-asile-2017.html 2018 https://www.canada.ca/fr/immigration-refugies-citoyennete/services/refugies/demandes-asile.html Notre calcul (A VALIDER) Il y aurait eu 27 930 demandes d'asile (entrée au Québec de façon irrégulière et régulière) entre le 1er mai 2017 et le 31 mars 2018 - EST-CE EXACT? Si on fait le calcul, en considérant qu'il y a eu 18 108 demandes de permis, on constate qu'environ 65 % des demandeurs d'asile ont fait une demande de permis de travail - EST-CE EXACT?
Response	
Status	On going
Journalist	Agence QMI - Ottawa
Lead	Beatrice Fenelon
Issue	C - Border Crossers/STCA
Question	J'aimerais un commentaire sur le sujet des visas émis aux Nigériens par les États-Unis. Tu m'as dit la semaine dernière que le nombre de visas a chuté après que le Canada eut fait des représentation auprès du gouvernement américain. C'est aussi ce que votre bureau a dit à Reuters : Canada has also urged U.S. officials to crack down on visas, saying many of the asylum seekers had valid U.S. visas and used the United States merely as a transit point. Earlier this year, Canadian officials traveled to Nigeria, the source of a significant number of asylum seekers, to speak with Nigerian

	government officials and U.S. embassy staff. The number of U.S. visas being issued to Nigerians has since dropped, said Mathieu Genest, a spokesman for Canadian Immigration and Refugee Minister Ahmed Hussen. Or, après vérification, le nombre de visas n'a pas chuté. 2017 Avril - 10,595 Mai - 11,210 Juin - 13,062 Juillet - 12,889 Août - 14,108 Septembre - 11,483 Octobre - 11,392 Novembre 11,621 Décembre - 8,180 2018 Janvier - 12,889 Février - 12,640 Mars - 13,564 Q. Comment expliquez-vous la différence entre ce que vous avez affirmé à les chiffres officiels qui indique le contraire? Échéance : Aujourd'hui
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Response	
Status	On going

Journalist	Canadian Press - Toronto
Lead	Beatrice Fenelon
Issue	C - Refugee policy (including DCO)
Question	I'd like to get some updated figures on how many of the irregular migrants that have arrived in Canada are unaccompanied minors? If you could give me some numbers that include last year and this year's totals (so far) and also include the breakdown according to country of origin. I would also like to know how these cases are dealt with? What happens to these children after they arrive in Canada? Are they placed in some kind of care? If not, why not? If you could get this information to be before 4 p.m. EST on Monday, May 7, I would be grateful!
Response	IRCC does not track this data. We do, however, have some statistics on the number of asylum claimants by age. Please see the Government of Canada's Open Data and click on Canada - Asylum Claimants by Province/Territory of Claim, Age and Claim Month, 2016- Please find below general information on Children and the in-Canada asylum system. Within the context of the in-Canada asylum system, IRCC has a mandate to provide protection to people who meet the definition of a refugee. It is not uncommon for asylum claims to be made in Canada by vulnerable populations including women, children and adolescents. Children are able to make refugee claims in Canada. The Immigration and Refugee Board of Canada (IRB), which hears asylum claims, has a set of guidelines specifically for minors with a particular focus on unaccompanied children. The guidelines cover the processing of unaccompanied minors, and states that the best interests of the child should be given primary consideration at all stages of the processing of these claims. The guidelines also describe measures that can be taken to accommodate the child during the hearing, such as explaining the process to the child, providing an informal environment, and questioning in a sensitive manner. The Immigration and Refugee Protection Act (IRPA) requires the IRB to designate a representative for persons under 18 years of age. This person is usually a parent if the child is with his or her parents. If the child is unaccompanied, the representative can be any person who meets certain criteria. Like all refugee claimants, children who receive a positive decision at the IRB receive protected person status and can apply for Permanent Residence. Children cannot include their parents on their application for permanent residence, and cannot sponsor their parents until they meet sponsorship eligibility requirements, which include being at least 18 years of age.

Status	Completed
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Journalist	Thomson Reuters - Toronto
Lead	Beatrice Fenelon
Issue	C - Border Crossers/STCA
Question	A couple of questions following up on the Minister's statements today: - He mentioned getting the US to interdict Nigerians already in the US who might be coming to Canada. Whom would this affect, what would it look like? - He said Nigerian visas have been cancelled and refused at higher rates - can you please send numbers?
Response	1) He mentioned getting the US to interdict Nigerians already in the US who might be coming to Canada. Whom would this affect, what would it look like? PS addressed Q1. 2) He said Nigerian visas have been cancelled and refused at higher rates - can you please send numbers? Please contact US authorities for exact figures on visas to the United States.

Status	Completed
Journalist	BBC - London
Lead	Shannon Ker
Issue	C - Border Crossers/STCA
Question	Do you have statistics on the number of Nigerian migrants crossing into Canada on US visitor visas as well as on how many US visas my have been rejected due to scrutiny by US and Canadian immigration authorities? Also, what goals does Minister Hussen hope to accomplish with his upcoming meeting in Lagos?
Response	1. Do you have statistics on the number of Nigerian migrants crossing into Canada on US visitor visas as well as on how many US visas my have been rejected due to scrutiny by US and Canadian immigration authorities? From June 30, 2017 to April 22, 2018, Nigerian nationals intercepted by the RCMP in Quebec accounted for 35% (or 7,644) of total interceptions. In 2018, there have been 3,925 Nigerians intercepted in Quebec. Of total Nigerians intercepted, 81% (or 6,194) declared having a US Non-Immigrant Visa (NIV) prior to entry into the US. The majority of claimants from Nigeria entered the US in 2017 (56%), and 23% entered the US in 2018. 2. Also, what goals does Minister Hussen hope to accomplish with his upcoming meeting in Lagos? In general we can say that Minister Hussen will meet with his Nigerian and American counterparts in Nigeria to discuss the current situation of border crossers to Canada.
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Journalist	BR – Public Broadcaster in Bavaria/Germany - Bavaria
Lead	Shannon Ker
Issue	C - Border Crossers/STCA
Question	1. There are various reports saying that the top group of people coming through now are Nigerian. Can you confirm that (and with figures?). 2. And is there a way to find out on what grounds the 1451 Americans were claiming asylum? 3. Can you provide the latest figs (up to February 2018) - most appreciated.
Response	1. There are various reports saying that the top group of people coming through now are Nigerian. Can you confirm that (and with figures?). Between January-February 2018, asylum claims from Nigerians were the top source of irregular arrivals with 1,591 Nigerians. 2. And is there a way to find out on what grounds the 1451 Americans were claiming asylum? We do not track reasons for applying for asylum. All eligible asylum claimants receive a full and fair hearing on the individual merits of their claim at the independent quasi-judicial Immigration and Refugee Board of Canada (IRB). In making its decisions, the IRB takes into account whether an individual has a well-founded fear of persecution based on race, religion, political opinion, nationality, or membership in a particular social group. The IRB's decision is based on the information provided by the claimant. You may wish to contact the Immigration and Refugee Board of Canada Media Relations team regarding this question. Please note that asylum figures for US citizens would include minor asylum claimants who were born in the United States to parents who are citizens of another country. 3. Can you provide the latest figs (up to February 2018) - most appreciated. Asylum Claims Made by Irregular* Asylum Seekers between April 1, 2017 and February 28, 2018 by Citizenship Irregular Citizenship 2017 2018 Haiti 6,097 109 Nigeria 4,031 1,591 United States of America 1,451 172 Turkey 716 132 Eritrea 577 72 Syria 545 53 Yemen, Republic of 461 45 Republic of Djibouti 297 7 Pakistan 296 72 Brazil 291 4 Colombia 287 113 Democratic Republic of Sudan 277 59 Somalia, Democratic Republic of 258 27 Burundi 255 45 Afghanistan 235 49 Azerbaijan 205 9 Iraq 204 26 Palestinian Authority (Gaza/West Bank) 199 48 Chad, Republic of 199 4 Angola 182 45 Congo, Democratic Republic of the 179 70 People's Republic of China 138 17 El Salvador 132 14 Egypt 128 26 Ghana 114 11 Venezuela 100 23 Ethiopia 79 27 Stateless 78 8 Sri Lanka 73 21 Honduras 68 15 Libya 62 14 Bangladesh 52 22 Zimbabwe 48 10 Republic of South Africa 39 20 Mexico 39 2 Rwanda 38 14 India 37 6 Congo, People's Republic of the 33 10 Mauritania 29 19 Guatemala 26 5 Peru 22 3 Federal Republic of Cameroon 21 4 Guinea, Republic of 21 8 Jordan 21 21 Republic of Ivory Coast 20 3 Romania 18 Dominican Republic 18 1 Saudi Arabia 15 2 Bahama Islands, The 14 Burkina-Faso 13 3 Kenya 13 9 Chile 13 Malawi 12 Cuba 12 Liberia 12 3 Lebanon 11 4 Togo, Republic of 11 1 Guyana 10 1 Albania 10 6 Republic of the Niger 10 Algeria 10 1 Uganda 9 9 Morocco 8 Kosovo, Republic of 7 4 Georgia 7 1 Ecuador 7 1 Malaysia 6 Nepal 6 1 Senegal 5 2

	British Citizen 5 Italy 4 5 Iran 4 1 Mali, Republic of 4 1 Tunisia 4 Sierra Leone 4 2 The Netherlands 3 Peoples Republic of Benin 3 1 United Republic of Tanzania 3 Ukraine 3 France 3 Tadzhikistan 3 1 Panama, Republic of 3 Philippines 2 Gambia 2 1 Belize 2 Socialist Republic of Vietnam 2 Nicaragua 2 Belarus 2 2 Zambia 2 2 Unspecified 2 United Arab Emirates 2 Costa Rica 2 Russia 1 2 Gabon Republic 1 Republic of Indonesia 1 Turkmenistan 1 Jamaica 1 1 Australia 1 Uzbekistan 1 1 Argentina 1 Belgium 1 Trinidad and Tobago, Republic of 1 Republic of Ireland 1 Central African Republic 1 1 Hong Kong SAR 1 Mongolia, People's Republic of 1 Equatorial Guinea 1 Mauritius 1 Bahrain 1 South Sudan, Republic Of 5 Kazakhstan 4 Qatar 1 Myanmar (Burma) 2 Note: IRCC did not implement tracking of irregular migrants until April 1, 2017. As such, data on irregular migrants before April 1, 2017 is unavailable. Please note that data more recent than February 2018 have not been publicly released.
Status	Completed
Journalist	- - - Globe and Mail - Toronto
Lead	Shannon Ker
Issue	C - Border Crossers/STCA
Question	Hello I need this information today. Of the asylum seekers arriving in Canada since the beginning of the year, how many are Nigerian nationals? I was at the press conference in Montreal this morning at which government ministers said most were from Nigeria. What percentage? After Nigeria, what are the top countries of origin for the asylum claimants? Thank you, I need this information by 5:30 p.m.
Response	From June 30, 2017 to April 22, 2018, Nigerian nationals intercepted by the RCMP in Quebec accounted for 35% (or 7,644) of total interceptions. In 2018, there have been 3,925 Nigerians intercepted in Quebec. Of total Nigerians intercepted, 81% (or 6,194) declared having a US Non-Immigrant Visa (NIV) prior to entry into the US. The majority of claimants from Nigeria entered the US in 2017 (56%), and 23% entered the US in 2018. For top countries of origin, we have 2018 stats for January and February (below). For most recent broken down by country we would have to make a stats request. Asylum Claims Made by Irregular* Asylum Seekers between January 1, 2018 and February 28, 2018 by Citizenship Citizenship 2018 Haiti 109 Nigeria 1,591 United States of America 172 Turkey 132 Eritrea 72 Syria 53 Yemen, Republic of 45 Republic of Djibouti 7 Pakistan 72 Brazil 4 Colombia 113 Democratic Republic of Sudan 59 Somalia, Democratic Republic of 27 Burundi 45 Afghanistan 49 Azerbaijan 9 Iraq 26 Palestinian Authority (Gaza/West Bank) 48 Chad, Republic of 4 Angola 45 Congo, Democratic Republic of the 70 People's Republic of China 17 El Salvador 14 Egypt 26 Ghana 11 Venezuela 23 Ethiopia 27 Stateless 8 Sri Lanka 21 Honduras 15 Libya 14 Bangladesh 22 Zimbabwe 10 Republic of South Africa 20 Mexico 2 Rwanda 14 India 6 Congo, People's Republic of the 10 Mauritania 19 Guatemala 5 Peru 3 Federal Republic of Cameroon 4 Guinea, Republic of 8 Jordan 21 Republic of Ivory Coast 3 Romania Dominican Republic 1 Saudi Arabia 2 Bahama Islands, The Burkina-Faso 3 Kenya 9 Chile Malawi Cuba Liberia 3 Lebanon 4 Togo, Republic of 1 Guyana 1 Albania 6 Republic of the Niger Algeria 1 Uganda 9 Morocco Kosovo, Republic of 4 Georgia 1 Ecuador Malaysia Nepal 1 Senegal 2 British Citizen Italy 5 Iran 1 Mali, Republic of 1 Tunisia Sierra Leone 2 The Netherlands Peoples Republic of Benin 1 United Republic of Tanzania Ukraine France Tadzhikistan 1 Panama, Republic of Philippines Gambia 1 Belize Socialist Republic of Vietnam Nicaragua Belarus 2 Zambia 2 Unspecified United Arab Emirates Costa Rica Russia 2 Gabon Republic Republic of Indonesia Turkmenistan Jamaica 1 Australia Uzbekistan 1 Argentina Belgium Trinidad and Tobago, Republic of Republic of Ireland Central African Republic 1 Hong Kong SAR Mongolia, People's Republic of Equatorial Guinea Mauritius 1 Bahrain 1 South Sudan, Republic Of 5 Kazakhstan 4 Qatar 1 Myanmar (Burma) 2
Status	Completed
Journalist	National Observer - Vancouver
Lead	Shannon Ker
Issue	C - Border Crossers/STCA
Question	1) Stats on asylum seekers in Qc / and country of origin 2) what exactly is Canada's plan to work with US to handle the influx? 3) Details on Min. Hussen's trip to Nigeria

Response	1) Stats on asylum seekers in Qc / and country of origin This information can be found on our open data portal - Canada - Asylum Claimants by Top 25 Countries of Citizenship and Province/Territory of Claim, Claim Year 2018. Please note this table includes all asylum seekers. 2) what exactly is Canada's plan to work with US to handle the influx? We continue to engage with the U.S. on a number of issues related to irregular migration and the border. Canada and the United States have implemented a robust information sharing regime, including automated biometric information sharing, giving us more tools to now determine country of first presence without relying on visual confirmation. We are continuing our outreach efforts to ensure that individuals are aware of Canadian immigration laws and of the risks of crossing the border into Canada between ports of entry. We are also working closely with our missions in the U.S. and engaging with communities in the U.S. and issuing messages on social media channels in both Canada and the U.S. to provide accurate information on Canadian immigration laws and of the risks of crossing the border into Canada between ports of entry. 3) Details on Min. Hussen's trip to Nigeria In general we can say that Minister Hussen will meet with his Nigerian and American counterparts in Nigeria to discuss the current situation of border crossers to Canada.
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Status	Completed
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Journalist	Ottawa Citizen - Ottawa
Lead	Shannon Ker
Issue	C - Border Crossers/STCA
Question	1. I'm looking for current numbers on the number of irregular border crossings recorded in 2017 and 2018, as well as daily and monthly numbers and the number of removals.(CBSA will be providing the response about removals.) 2. There is a report circulating that the total figure is 26,000. Is that accurate?
Response	Key figures on asylum claims made in Canada can be found here: https://www.canada.ca/en/immigration-refugees-citizenship/services/refugees/asylum-claims.html .
Status	Completed

Journalist	Radio-Canada - Montréal - Montréal
Lead	Julie Lafortune
Issue	Other
Question	Date and time of request: May 7th 2:52 pm. Deadline May 8th, COB. Pour un texte web, est-ce possible de connaître le nombre de permis de travail délivrés à des demandeurs d'asile depuis juillet 2017? Est-ce possible de préciser pour ceux qui ont passé la frontière de façon irrégulière au Québec (chemin Roxham)? De plus, actuellement, est-ce possible de connaître le délai d'attente pour le traitement de ces demandes de permis de travail?
Response	
Status	On going

Public Safety

Reporter

Media Outlet	Reuters
Call Date	07/05/2018 11:10 AM
Closing Date	07/05/2018 1:00 PM
Status	Referred to MO
Subject	Roxham Road border entry - Nigerians from USA

Questions

From IRCC:

Good morning colleagues,

Would PS take Q1)?

Thanks,

Béatrice

Beatrice Fenelon

From: Robertson, Jayden [<mailto:Jayden.Robertson@cbsa-asfc.gc.ca>]

Sent: May 7, 2018 11:08 AM

To: Fenelon.Beatrice <Beatrice.Fenelon@cic.gc.ca>

Cc: CBSA-ASFC-Media Relations <Media.Relations@cbsa-asfc.gc.ca>

Subject: RE: Reuters

Hello Beatrice,

Not sure that's our area. Possibly PS as they were the ones in discussions with US counterparts on the exploratory talks?

Jayden

From: Fenelon.Beatrice [<mailto:Beatrice.Fenelon@cic.gc.ca>]

Sent: May 7, 2018 11:06 AM

To: Robertson, Jayden <Jayden.Robertson@cbsa-asfc.gc.ca>

Subject: Reuters

Good morning Jayden,

We also received this media query. Will you be able to answer question 1?

Date and Time received / Date et Heure: May 7, 2018 10:20 AM

Reporter / Journaliste:

Media / Média: Reuters

Deadline / Échéance: TBC

Main Issue / Sujet : Nigerian asylum seekers

Questions :

A couple of questions following up on the Minister's statements today:

1) He mentioned getting the US to interdict Nigerians already in the US who might be coming to Canada.
Whom would this affect, what would it look like? CBSA

2) He said Nigerian visas have been cancelled and refused at higher rates - can you please send numbers? US Immigration

Reporter

Media Outlet CBC Quebec

Call Date 07/05/2018 11:00 AM

Status Referred to MO

Subject Interview Request - Minister Goodale on Asylum Seekers

Questions	We are hoping you can help us again. We'd like to have Minister Goodale on <u>Quebec AM</u> at 7:10 or 7:40 a.m. tomorrow (May 8). The subject of the English-language interview will be the announcements made at today's news conference on asylum seekers and refugees entering Canada from the USA.
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Response	MO response: While unfortunately Minister Goodale won't be able to do it due to other pressures on his time, I'm checking with colleagues to see if either Minister Hussen or Garneau could do it. (And if neither can, our Parliamentary Secretary Mark Holland likely could.)
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Reporter	
Media Outlet	CJAD 800
Call Date	07/05/2018 4:30 PM
Closing Date	07/05/2018 4:50 PM
Status	Referred to MO
Subject	New measures for asylum seekers
Questions	I'm a radio producer at CJAD 800 in Montreal. Would it be possible arrange an interview with Minister Goodale (or Minister Hussen) on the new measures for asylum seekers tomorrow morning, May 8 at 7:10AM Eastern? This would be a five minute phoner with host Andrew Carer. I'd like to focus on Quebec... the new facilities at the Lacolle border crossing and to explain how the triage system works (or has been adapted).

CBSA

Media : Journal de Québec

Issue : Notice on BuyandSell for the provision of temporary housing units

Q1 : J'aîmerais connaître si possible les différences les plus notables entre ce que vous recherchez actuellement et ce que les Forces armées ont offert l'an dernier?

Q2 : Plus de confort, des lieux mieux adaptés, des endroits plus spacieux?

A1-A2 : Les aménagements demandés seront de nature similaire à ceux de l'été dernier cependant nous ne sommes pas encore en mesure de vous dresser une liste de caractéristiques précises des aménagements que les fournisseurs seront en mesure de nous offrir (par ex. le nombre et la dimension des tentes). Vous pouvez voir la liste des aménagements demandés dans l'avis de lettres d'intérêt (<https://achatsetventes.gc.ca/donnees-sur-l-approvisionnement/appels-d-offres/PW-MTA-280-14862>).

Q3 : Quelle était la capacité du campement de la Défense l'été dernier?

A3 : La capacité du campement des Forces armées canadiennes de l'été dernier était de 1200 places.

Q4 : Aussi, pourquoi payer lorsque l'armée a fait le travail l'été dernier en ne dépassant pas ses coûts normaux d'opération?

A4 : Le support des Forces Armées a été un élément clé dans la réponse opérationnelle du gouvernement alors qu'aucune autre option n'était immédiatement disponible au moment où l'afflux d'immigrants était à son sommet l'été dernier. Nous vous proposons de contacter les Forces armées canadiennes pour mieux connaître leurs critères de déploiement en cas de situation d'urgence. De plus, veuillez noter que L'ASFC a défrayé les coûts pour divers aménagements sur le campement de l'été dernier, notamment les services sanitaires, l'électricité, les clôtures, sécurité, etc...

Media : Global News//

CTV//

CBC

Issue : Asylum Seekers – Removals

Q1: Can you please provide current stats on the number of irregular border crossings recorded in 2017 and 2018, as well as daily and monthly numbers?

A1: Key figures on asylum claims made in Canada can be found [here](#). Additional data for 2018 can be found [here](#).

Q2: How many irregular migrants have been removed since 2017 and 2018?

A2: From April 2017 to May 5, 2018, the CBSA has removed 243 irregular migrants. Prior to April 2017 CBSA systems did not track failed asylum seekers who entered irregularly.

Media : Global News

Issue : Asylum Seekers – Removals

Q: I'd like to know specifically how this process works. So once a migrant has been told they do not qualify to submit an asylum claim, I assume they are also told how long they have to leave Canada (days? weeks?). If they do not leave, is the CBSA immediately brought in to locate them and remove them?

A: If the application is deemed ineligible the individual may be removed from Canada.

More information on removals can be found [here](#).

Please consult the [Claiming asylum in Canada – what happens?](#) for additional information.

Media : CBC

Issue : Asylum Seekers – Removals

Q: Is there a distinction to be made between those who have left voluntarily and those who have been "removed"?

A: While the Canada Border Services Agency (CBSA) does not systematically collect exit information for those traveling via air transportation, we do for a small subset of travellers exiting at land borders. The Agency is currently working on implementing the [Entry/Exit](#) initiative.

This program will allow the CBSA to:

- confirm departures of all persons who leave by land border crossings and airports; and,
- assess the interval of time between entries into, and exits from, Canada (thereby confirming a person's compliance with their visa requirements).

Therefore, we are not in a position to provide the number of those who left on their own.

RCMP

MED 2018-05-03 #1

' The Wall Street Journal

Issue: Reporter would like to know the most up to date number of irregular migrants.

Status: Approved response provided (2018-05-04), responded to follow up questions, and came back with another – with FED.

Deadline: Approved response provided

MRO: Souraiya Coowar (S/Sgt. Vaughan)